

# A FEW COMPARISONS

**I**N the Ohio and Missouri river valleys, people are climbing hills to escape floods caused by formation of ice gorges and melting of the snow. Here on the Plains of Texas you are enjoying floods of sunshine.

Throughout the East and Middle west people are battling with snowdrifts and blizzards, burning high priced coal --when it is to be obtained--often shivering through days of a coal famine, during which the bitter cold claims many victims. Here you farmers are turning up the rich prairie soil preparing for the summer's crops. While the first mentioned are pouring grain and feed into



their horses, simply to combat the cold and inclement weather, **YOU** are obtaining returns from your horses, by daily work on your farms. While they are striving to bring their young stock through the winter, in as good condition as when the cold weather came upon them, **YOUR** young stock is making daily and rapid strides in thrifty growth. There the wheels of accomplishment are blocked for six months of the year by snow and cold. Here you have a climate which permits work on your lands each month in the year. Your crops will favorably compare with, and in many cases surpass, their crops, but their climate will in no way compare with that of the Pandandle.

## Keiser Brothers & Phillips

Canyon City, Texas.

Keota, Iowa.

Redkey, Indiana.

### The News From Wayside.

W. D. and Curtis McGeehee made a business trip to Amarillo last week.

Mrs. W. H. Hamblen and three little ones who were sick the past week are reported better.

W. J. Sluder and family were guests of W. B. Walters Sunday.

Chas. Butler and W. T. Helms have finished canvassing and papering the lower rooms of the latter's new residence.

Hester Gilliam, Tom Green, Mrs. Effie Henson and boys, Fannie Sluder, Inus and Unus Hamblen, Eppie and Dave Hamblen took dinner with Mrs. W. H. Hamblen last Sunday.

Mrs. Mary Hollabaugh and daughters, Grace and B., called on Grandma Sluder Friday.

Mesdames G. W. Mayo and M. B. Wilson visited Beula school Friday afternoon. All, and more especially the patrons, are cordially invited by the teachers to visit their school at any time.

Friends of W. L. Breithaupt and wife will be pleased to learn that they like their New Mexico home and that their health is improved.

Miss Sallie McGeehee visited her mother Saturday returning to her school at Sunny Hill Sunday.

W. I. Lane from Clarendon is visiting relatives near Wayside. We are sorry to learn that he has la grippe.

Happy Telephone Co. will soon have their lines completed to Ceta. This is quite an improvement in our neighborhood. **TEDDIE.**

Beginning to day we will have fresh vegetables, Fridays, Mondays and Wednesdays.

Dawson Bros.

### Umbarger News.

Wheat is looking fine.

Geo. Houser of Kress visited friends in Umbarger last week.

Paul M. Will spent Thursday in Amarillo.

Miss Sallie Baird spent Friday in Canyon.

Emil Seng of Elgin, Ill. is spending the week with friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Kleinschmidt of Canyon and their visiting friends, Mr. and Mrs. Elfring, visited friends here Saturday.

Among Canyon visitors from here this week were Mrs. Geo. Conrad, Henry Beckman and wife, Mesdames P. Friemel and Leo Stoker, I. Mantz, T. Erdman, Joe Beckman, Mrs. J. Fuldley and little son, Charlie.

Paul M. Will has been appointed school trustee in place of R. E. Chambers who recently moved away.

Miss Anita Garrett of Canyon visited in Umbarger Saturday.

Pearl Gates who has been visiting his brother, Jake Gates, left Monday for his home in Wyoming.

Miss Mary and Uncle Bob Pickens returned Friday from Kress where they have been visiting their sister, Mrs. Webb.

Mrs. A. Parish and daughters arrived from Newton, Iowa Friday.

J. B. Greenfield reports that they succeeded in securing a fine flow of soft water at a depth of about one hundred twenty-five feet.

Friday evening Mr. and Mrs. H. Beckman entertained a number of their friends with a dance.

**MIRAGE.**

Geo. A. Brandon went to Portales today on business.

### Ralph Items.

Again we write the happenings in these parts in order that our little town may be represented in the columns of our County paper.

Health is fairly good in this part of the county.

It is a little early, but nevertheless watch the Ralph farmers at our county fair next summer. We are all counting on having the best farm and garden produce and never fail.

We failed to get the wheat estimate as promised last week, but if the farmers who get their mail at Ralph will kindly leave the number of acres they have in with the postmaster, we may be able to give it next week.

O. C. Davis announces that he will be a candidate for Tax Assessor, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

Remember that February 16th is the date that the Civic Club has selected for cleaning up every and all premises.

Clean up on or before Feb. 16, sure.

J. W. Stoddard was so frightened by the throwing of his son, Willis, by an unruly horse last week that he had a stroke of paralysis, his left side being paralyzed.

Clay Ross, Robert Bruce, Higgins Waller, John Craig, Jim Knicely, Amos Upfold, A. L. Roles and Sam Wiggins, all business men of Ralph, were in Canyon City Saturday.

Ralph had the best base ball team in the county last year except Canyon City's first team and we couldn't get a game with them. The same bunch are talking of re-organizing soon.

Another fine dinner, putting it mildly, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Roles. Those who

### Hunting the Kangaroo.

When brought to bay the kangaroo jumps like a flash for the hunter's chest and tries to crush it in with his fore feet. To prevent this each man wears across his breast a two or three inch thick matting. Armed with a spear, with a club attachment at the other end, they ride upon swift horses into a herd. With the agility and equanimity of circus riders they stand erect upon their horses and use their spears and clubs.

The kangaroo is able to jump clear over a horse. As the game is tagged it is skinned, and the skin is stretched on the ground and pegged down to prevent shrinkage. The flesh furnishes meat for the camp. Each man places his private mark upon his booty, and when they have 100 apiece they return back to civilization.

### Why He Searched.

The old man had evidently dropped something in the muddy road, and he began searching for it. In three minutes about thirty strangers had joined in the search, and every additional minute brought additional searches, till at last one, bolder than the rest, plucked up heart and spoke:

"What are you looking for?" he inquired.

"My friend," mumbled the old man, "I have dropped a piece of taffy candy."

"But, great Scott," cried another of the crowd angrily, "why do you go looking for it when it will be covered with dirt?"

"Because, my inquisitive friend," replied the old man, "my false teeth are sticking to that taffy."

### Strange Hiding Place.

False teeth are occasionally used for secretive purposes. An eccentric old lady boasts of a roof plate which consists of two thin sheets of gold between which a miniature copy of her will is inserted. In a similar manner a dyer preserves a prescription which he declares he would not disclose for a large sum.—London Mail.

### Envious.

"Just think of it!" said the student of immigration. "Many men who come to this country cannot write their own names."

"Yes," answered Mr. Pinchpenny, "and when I get down my check book on the first of the month I am inclined to envy them."—Washington Star.

### Fixing the Break.

"They were both broken up by their separation." "But I understand they've effected a reconciliation and are now re-paired."—St. Louis Star.

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### Many Maids Meet.

Misses Bryson, McDonald, Pearl Shellnut, Cund, Minta Gilliam, Holland, Avis Baird and Emma Neal were entertained last night at the Brandon home.

Many a humorous story was told sandwiched with music, vocal and instrumental. The favorite songs being "Ah! I Won't get Married at all, at all," and "When you ain't got no Money, well you needn't come around."

At the refreshment table, a toast (toast) to the Canyon City boys was proposed and accepted (as all proposals are in this crowd). The all important question as to who should be first to launch upon the tempestuous sea of matrimony was settled by the time honored means of drawing straws, it turning out that Miss Bryson is to take the lead, Miss Holland bringing up the rear while it is the sad fate of Miss Brandon to remain an old maid, there being no straw left for her.

R. Stewart of Dallas looked after business here Tuesday.

C. D. Keiser and wife expect to leave for their home in Dakota Saturday. Their many friends regret their departure.

**FOR RENT:**—A fine section of land, tributary to Canyon City, good set of buildings all complete, 600 acres in cultivation. Inquire of Keiser Bros. & Phillips.

### Simplicity Itself.

"There are only two points in success."

"What are they?"

"Work and keep other people from working you."

### Do It Now.

Decision never becomes easier by postponement, while habit grows stronger every day. Common sense as well as conscience says, "Choose this day."

The feet of Fate are tender, for she sets her steps not on the ground, but on the heads of men.—Homer.

enjoyed it and also the icecream served afterwards were, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Roles of Happy, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Wiggins, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Roles and Mr. and Mrs. Clay Ross.

**GUESS WHO.**

In this issue of the News is printed a response to the toast, "A normal school principal has rights,—a few, not many,—and obligations that no man can number," which was delivered by Hon. R. B. Cousins at a banquet given in his honor by his many Austin friends on Monday evening, Jan. 31, at the Driskill hotel. The News considers it a good article so publishes it in its entirety.

On Tuesday while playing with some children, little Dorothy Burrow had the misfortune to run a sliver into her leg. It was so firmly imbedded that Dr. Wilson was called in to extract it.

A special sale on 25 cent goods at the Racket Store. Everybody is requested to come and see the many bargains that are offered on our 25 cent counter at the Racket Store.

D. K. Usery, our office foreman, is sick this week and J. H. Brown, of the Amarillo Daily News, is working in his stead.

A dinner party was held at the home of W. H. Younger Thursday. The News was unable to get the particulars for this week's issue.

The Methodist Sunday School Boosters are planning to entertain the C. I. C.'s at the G. G. Foster home tomorrow night.

Heavy snows are reported to have fallen in Waco, Fort Worth and Waxahachie yesterday.